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Applicants respectfully inquire as to the status of the above-identified application. The last activity of which the Applicants are aware is filing an After Final Amendment on January 22, 2004 in response to the Office Action dated October 22, 2003. Please advise when the next Office communication can be expected.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Sir:

Applicant respectfully requests the courtesy and favor of a personal interview with the Examiner and his supervisor at the Patent and Trademark Office to discuss the patentability of the claims. A face-to-face interview, it is submitted, would be far more efficient and effective than a telephone interview in view of the ability to propose, counter-propose, revise, and finally come to an agreement in a highly interactive fashion.

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